

From: Roger.Hulstein
Sent: Thursday, May 16, 2002 3:51 PM
To: Jo-Anne.van Randen; Robert.Stroshein
Subject: FW: Steering Committee meeting transcription

Looks like the Ddhaw Ghro muddle might heat up a bit!

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From: Bob.Kuiper
Sent: Thursday, May 16, 2002 3:07 PM
To: Rod.Hill; Shirley.Abercrombie; Roger.Hulstein
Cc: Janet.Moodie
Subject: FW: Steering Committee meeting transcription

Shirley, Rod, Janet,

As a heads up, I am sending you the first available draft transcriptions of the Ddhaw Ghro Steering Committee meetings that have been requested by the Selkirk First Nation. One of the reasons the SFN is requesting the transcriptions is to verify what was said at the meetings re: the mineral assessment information, and whether or not this information was being made public.

Currently, the transcriptions are in draft form and have not yet been distributed. When Bruce McLean returns to the office next week, he will clean them up (identify speakers, clear up any obvious typos and errors) and send them to the rest of the Steering Committee.

The Feb 2001 transcription does not have any references to making the information public, although apparently, the audio tape ran out before the discussion was finished, so the transcription does not cover the entire meeting.

The December 2001 transcription covers a fairly lengthy discussion on whether or not the mineral potential information will be made public. This is covered on pages 12-14. For your convenience, I have copied the section that will likely be of most interest. The single lines are questions or comments by committee members. The paragraphs starting with an A. are the answers provided by Anna at the meeting.

What I'm concerned about is the high potential, it rings a bell...

A: I think if what you are concerned about is the mineral potential map, we will not publish that in the yearly geological report. The main reason why we don't publish that is because in the exploration community that stirs up more bad feelings about more land being withdrawn and that kind of thing. So we publish geology, we don't want to publish a lot of land use things, so those maps, what comes out of this work is a report which is an internal report which stays in the mineral resources branch, goes to policy people but it won't be published it won't be made public.

Is that standard practice that those Mineral potential maps do not get published?

A: Yes, for a variety of reasons we don't let them out of the building

So, who owns that, because you have done work?

A: It's an informal policy that we don't give them away, we don't sell them because they are sensitive, and this is one case where people are sensitive about it, the First Nation, when there is any First Nations involvement it gets really sensitive, even when it's not even when it is made for protected areas strategy, it is sensitive because it could be used improperly then I feel the guilt, if not take the blame for it.

Given that the results of the Ddhaw Ghro mineral assessment were presented in an article by Anna Fonseca in "Yukon Exploration and Geology", published in January 2002, I think we need to put some thought into how we best respond to the reaction we will likely get from the SFN on this issue.

I am fairly busy for the remainder of this week. Would early next week be a good time to get together?

Let me know.

Bob

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From: Bruce.McLean
Sent: Tuesday, May 14, 2002 9:11 AM
To: Karen.Clyde; Mark.ODonoghue; Bob.Kuiper
Subject: FW: Steering Committee meeting transcription

Well,

Here is the unplugged version of Dec 2001 meeting. I will still go through and add who the speaker is.



Bruce MacLean.doc

Also here is Feb 2001. I've started to add the speaker's names.



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Should I send these out as is?